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Applicant(s) : Johannes Reinmüller
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AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 116

SIR:

This amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action dated March 25, 1999.

Please grant the accompanying petition for a three month extension of time amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Four times amended) Implant for the reconstruction of soft tissue, said implant comprising: a plurality of thin pliable structural elements made of a thin sheet of a physiologically compatible plastic having a thickness of 10-200 μm and a surface that is wettable by a fluid lubricant, wherein adjacent structural elements are displaceable one against the other.